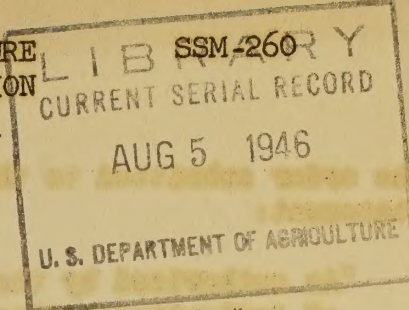


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Special Services Memorandum-260

Supplies-62

Subject: Surplus Wire for Bale Ties

Surplus wire suitable for the manufacture of bale ties has been located at various points throughout the country and whenever possible the wire has been shipped to fabricators for use in making bale ties. There are, however, large supplies of wire located at points so far removed from the mills that the freight costs make movement to the mills impracticable.

The surplus wire which cannot be moved to the mills will still be of great value to farmers in the areas of acute bale tie shortages since it can often be made into bale ties by hand or at small local establishments at small additional cost. In some States large quantities of both black and galvanized wire have been used in this manner.

There is attached a list giving the location, gauge, type and quantity of surplus wire which is available but which cannot be shipped to the mills. The War Assets Administration has been asked to hold all such wire for a short time in order that it may be directed to distributors or dealers who will sell the wire to farmers for use as bale ties.

The following procedure should be used in States where surplus wire is located nearby and is needed for making bale ties locally:

1. Prepare a complete list of all distributors or dealers who wish to purchase and distribute the surplus wire with the understanding that it will go into the production of bale ties.
2. Include in the list the following items for each purchaser:
 - A. Name and address.
 - B. Quantity and gauge desired.
 - C. Location of wire and WAA declaration number taken from the attached list.
3. Send the list of purchasers to the regional director, to arrive in Washington not later than August 19, 1946.

After the lists of purchasers are received in Washington and the quantities desired are checked against the available supply, the State committee will be notified as to the orders which can be filled. When such notice is received, the purchaser should be told to apply to the regional office of the WAA for the amount allocated. In the meantime that office will have been notified from Washington to honor these orders.

The price will be the ceiling price for the wire plus freight. The wire is packaged in 100 lb. coils.

The order submitted to the regional office of the WAA should carry the following statement:

"As authorized by the Materials & Equipment Branch, U.S. Department of Agriculture, wire obtained under this authorization is for resale only for use in baling hay."

<u>Depot</u>	<u>W.A.A. Serial No.</u>	<u>Gauge</u>	<u>Style</u>	<u>Quantity</u>
<u>Salt Lake City, Utah</u>				
<u>Regional Office</u>				
Ogden, Utah	163369-2-2	16	Black Annealed	946 lbs.
" "	164605-2-1	16	Galvanized	300,000 "
" "	164607-2-1	15	"	182,217 "
" "	164477-1-1	14	"	1,500 "
" "	164459-1-1	12	"	7,166 "
" "	164458-1-1	12	Bright	93,749 "
" "	164134-1-1	16	Black Annealed	6,541 "
" "	164099-2-1	16	Galvanized	12,000 "
" "	164094	15	Black Annealed	12,442 "
Topaz, Utah	163805-1-1	16	Black Stove Pipe	100 "
<u>Fort Worth, Tex.</u>				
<u>Regional Office</u>				
Fort Worth	4973178	14	Galvanized	21,750 lbs.
"	4988007	13	"	2,040 "
<u>San Antonio, Tex.</u>				
<u>Regional Office</u>				
San Antonio	4965787	13	Galvanized	63,537 lbs.
"	4965788	14	"	11,133 "
"	4965789	15	"	235,595 "

Additional quantities of wire are available at San Francisco, Calif., and as soon as WAA confirms the inventories, information as to exact quantities and descriptions will be furnished.

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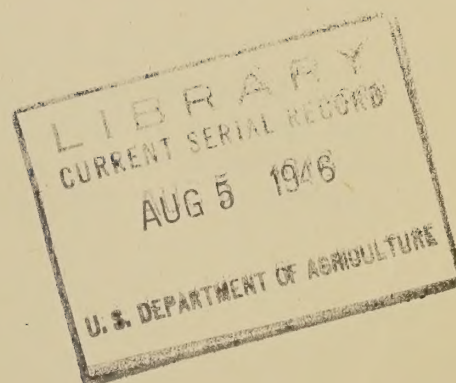
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Subject: Execution of Form CPA-541-A

Farmers who seek assistance in the execution of Forms CPA-541-A in making application for CC ratings under FR-28 should be advised to give complete information concerning the materials needed.

Although it is not desired that a "bill of materials" be furnished, it is necessary that the name of each material and the quantity of each which is required be listed. All lumber can be reported together as one item. Sizes are not required. List only the total board feet. Other items such as mill work, shingles, brick, etc., should be listed separately with the quantity shown for each.

If an authorization to construct is required, a statement should be included to the effect that such authorization has been granted, listing the serial number of the authorization.



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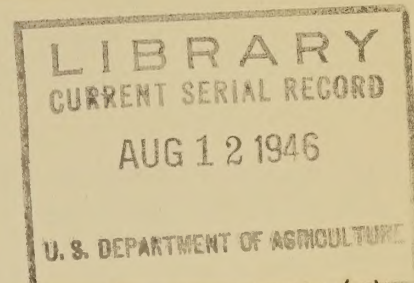
Special Services Memorandum-262

Construction-73

Subject: Veterans' Housing Program Orders

Copies of the following Veterans' Housing Program orders will be distributed to State PMA offices as soon as supplies are available:

VHP-1 as amended July 2, 1946
Supp. 1 to VHP-1
Supp. 2 to VHP-1
Supp. 3 to VHP-1
Supp. 4 to VHP-1
VHP-2 dated July 19, 1946



In Supp. 3 to VHP-1 particular attention should be given to paragraph (g) "How to figure cost". The effect of this supplement will be to substantially reduce the costs reported on certain applications including those where the applicant will use lumber produced on his own property.

The cost of a construction job does not include the following:

1. The value of previously used fixtures, mechanical equipment, and materials when they have been severed from the same or another structure owned by the builder (the owner or occupant of the building) and will be used without change of ownership.
2. The value of materials produced on the property of the builder except where he is in business of producing these materials for sale.
3. The value of unpaid labor.
4. Architects' and engineers' fees.
5. The cost of site preparation.

VHP-2 places restrictions upon the distribution and use of hardwood by distributors and builders. Since in this order a builder is defined as a person engaged in the business of construction, the order will not prevent a farmer from using hardwood which he has produced on his own property.

For details consult the orders.

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Supplement 2

Subject: Procedure for Processing
Farm Construction Applications

The Housing Expediter has issued HEPR-5 which will replace PR-33 as authority for processing applications for dwellings filed on and after September 10, 1946.

This regulation does not apply to applications filed prior to Sept. 10 or to requests for changes or priority assistance in connection with construction approved under PR-33.

On and after September 10 a new form, NHA Form 14-56, will be used in place of Form CPA-4386 in making applications for farm dwellings. Supplies of form CPA-4386 should be destroyed on that date.

In SSM-250 references to Form CPA-4386 should be changed to NHA Form 14-56 and all references to PR-33 should also include HEPR-5. References to Schedule A to PR-33 will be unchanged since the list of critical materials will continue to be identified as Schedule A to PR-33.

The last sentence of the certification in Section VII of SSM-250 should read as follows: "Your use of this rating is subject to the provisions of PR-33 and HEPR-5."

Paragraph (c)(1)(VI) of HEPR-5 restricts the purposes for which additions to dwellings may be authorized and places a limit of \$1,500 on this particular type of construction. The same standards which are followed in determining essentiality of new farm dwellings should be applied when considering applications for authorization to construct or for priorities assistance involving repair or alteration projects.

Supplies of HEPR-5 and NHA Form 14-56 will be distributed as soon as they can be obtained from NHA.

